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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: ARGO Meeting - Tuesday 10:00 A.M. to
1:00 P.M. - November 3, 1970 - Room 208, EOB

[] OST, Chairman ARGO, opened the meeting. With no discussion and in response to a question he advised that no action was required by recipients of the ARGO Charter recently distributed under covering letter from [] President's Science Advisor. He advised of changes in the agenda to eliminate an ESSA briefing on Utilization of U-2 Photography of the Sierra Nevada snow fields (see Agenda attached).

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KH-4B Color Film - Geological Application

[] (OSP) introduced [] (contractor) who presented an overly detailed 1 1/2 hour briefing on subject. None-the-less it was interesting, informative and excellent - particularly as it was less than two months in the making. The 4B/SO-242 film was used in stereo with 3404 B&W. Mission 1108 was used for 3 areas of the Soviet Union and China. Information sought was geological in character and applications were made to mineral/petroleum exploration indications.

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Problems were encountered with lack of ground truth elements but maps were found which helped. The briefer commented that a little ground truth (other sources? - WRL) would allow him in the case of a China petroleum area to make "good" estimates on reserves in that area.

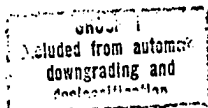
He pointed out that 15-20' resolution was good enough and he would trade-off better resolution for color (in the type of problems he addressed - WRL). He also stated that views from space give better geological perspective which allow targeting of specific areas for further work by lower level platforms, magnetometers, etc.

The contractor's report will be distributed in January, 1971.

Red Dot Photography

[] OSP, briefed on Red Dot photography. Red Dot photography is test photography by Delta III/U-2 borne camera at 65,000'. The tests are on new films and photo techniques and have been conducted for a "number" of years. NPIC provides the mission coverage plots. EK conducts the missions, flight planning, etc.

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The purpose of the presentation was to invite/allow requirements from the "peaceful" agencies via ARGO that testings be done over areas of use and interest to them. [] USGS, promptly took advantage with request for coverage of lunar landing test sites in Arizona (in color). The Red Dot flights contain both color and B&W. Also, technology and techniques could be made available to the agencies.

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NPIC has made the index available at Reston. The information is classified Secret. Some discussion (to be resolved by Security) about unclassified use occurred. [] mentioned that he had asked NPIC to update the index with the last 8 missions (I checked and found we had the requirement and asked that results be sent to Reston). Also there was some discussion on who would do the rectification - this will be checked (ACIC or TOPOCOM?) by []

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Intelligence Briefing on Results of Color Task Force.

[] OSP, gave a briefing on results to date of the NRO Color Task Force. This information is well disseminated in NPIC

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Other Business

It was noted that an EK report on spectral reflectance off soils would be distributed soon.

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ARGO Representative

Attachment:

Agenda for November 3, 1970
Meeting of ARGO Steering Committee
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October 12, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR

ARGO Committee

SUBJECT: Agenda for November 3, 1970 Meeting

The ARGO Steering Committee will meet from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm in Room 208, EOB, on November 3, 1970. I hope you will attend.

We are planning that the agenda for this meeting will be composed of the following items:

A. ESSA briefing on the Utilization of the U-2 Photography of the Sierra Nevada snow fields to include:

1. strength and weaknesses of the coverage
2. accuracy of information using the U-2 coverage and with conventional data
3. cost of using the U-2 data
4. value of the data in terms of decisions made to include reduction of flooding, water saved in reservoirs, etc.

B. Interpretation of KH-4 color photography for geological application: (contractor to CIA).

C. Availability of Red-Dot photography: CIA).

D. Unfinished Business.

If you wish other matters considered please call

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It is requested that the names of all persons attending the Steering Committee meeting be furnished by October 30, 1970 so that the White House security office may be furnished a complete list of names to prevent members being inconvenienced in gaining access to the building.

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Chairman
ARGO Committee

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